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TÉL. 204.29

REICH

8 - 9 - 1940

Dear Miss Elmes.

Exactly 12 hours since I left you this morning, and it seems at least a week, so many things happened to me--- It was only with the very greatest effort I managed to save you from seing me still in that heavenly comfortable bed of yours-- Do you know any thing worse than getting out of the nice warm covers, in the pitchest, blackest middle of the night?

The right roads came very correctly my way, and I made several aquaintenances--on the way, the first one ,one of the douane or octroi men, who wondered himself stiff about this fat female rucksack biking along in the middle of the night all alone somewhere in France, and when he had protected me as far as his office, he parted with the words: n'ayez pas peur made moiselle---, and from that minute I ofcourse saw all kinds of monsters appearing in front and all sides of me--

At Sigeant aboy over hawled me,asked if I was married, my age etc. and after my reasuring him with my five children in my second marrigge and nearer 50 , our friendship developed beautifully into breakfast on the roadand a drink in "buvette"of the station at Narbonne, where he happened to be the barman-- Then Toulouse, just in time to help feeding a refugeetrain, and another in half an hour--

Everything runs smoothelyhere,and I seem to be slightly out of a job here for the moment.Margaret Frawley,who is here, seems to think I might be of some help to you, with all your typhoid camps etc., but I have told her that you have all the staff you need. Any way now you know, and can prepare your answer one way or the other, if the question comes up.

Have talked to Miss Holbek about Mr. Layret, and suggested we might get him on to the controlling job at the canteen. He can have all his meals there ofcourse, but the salary will be exceedingly small owing tow veto against more people on the payrole. Tomorrow I'll talk to Mr. Daniel about him, and get him in for an interwiew. Anyway, he would have his foot inside, and he would go on our Spanish list, and have the special protection of the Prefecture, as our other Spanish workers have now.

And with all this I have not thanked you for being so nice to me the two days in Perpignan. You really are a peach, and you don't know how I enjoied staying with you---

Tomorrow I'll ship off the loan by mandat,the book about Spainand the address of a hotel in Vichy, if Mme. Serrié can produce one.

I dont dare suggesting my going up there, but I have mentioned about Bram on Thursday, so ,

Au revoir till then--(hope to persuade Miss Holbek to come along)

Yours very sincerely,

Alice Resch

P. S.: Please do not "classify" this scribble-------

Enclosing a buttonhole star.

RESCH

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Toulouse, 25. IO. I940

Dear Miss Elmes,

Monsieur Daniel came over yesterday, and is very worried about a Spanish doctor who has had a stroke. I under stand he has been working in French hospitals and rendered great services, but is now in a miserable condition and without resources. Do you think you could make an enquete, and maybe do something for him?-- His present address is Doctor Ramon Morei, chez Mr. Barthélémy LLanas, 2. rue des Dragons, Perpignan.

I hope you are doing well and have not been too upset by the awful floods.

Yours very sincerely,

Alice Resch

Alice Resch.

P.S. Toot came and asked me to add this.:

She wonders if you were able to do something for a man called Stern ,in the Perpignan hospital. She wrote to you about him sometime ago. When he comes out, would it be possible to give him some clothes?

2) Toot passes on to you a letter from the leader of the Austrian group at Argeles, who asks for books and writingmaterial to be able to c continue the school work in camp.

Cheerio again----

Miss Alice Resch,
16, Boulevard [redacted]repos,
Toulouse.

30th October, 1940.

Dear Alice Resche

Thank you for your letter of 25th October.

We have looked up Dr. Moret and have been able to help him. He has been known to us for a long time as he worked in the hospital for refugees in Perpignan. About six months ago he had a stroke and was in hospital for some time. He now lives in a private family here and is a little better and, although partly paralysed, is able to go out. Up to recently he has received help from his relations, but now they have had to discontinue their aid and he was getting to the end of his resourses. This has naturally made him very depressed and worried. We are undertaking to look after him financially for as long as we are in a position to do so.

Please tell Toot that we shall be very glad to help M. Stern when he leaves the hospital.

Thank you for the letter from the leader of the Austrian group in Argeles. Actually I have just sent the Internationals a quantity of material for their school. Our letters probably crossed.

I hope you have quite got over your accident. It must have been a nasty business and I was terribly sorry to hear about it and meant to write to you - but..... you know how things are!

Did Gaertner give you your book? I asked him to deliver it to you and give you my best thanks. I enjoyed reading it very much indeed.

Mrs Curle was here this afternoon and gave me your messages.

With kindest regards to you all,

Yours very sincerely,

Mary Elmes.

To: Mary Elmes Perpignan

From: Alice Resch Toulouse.

Date: 8 / 4 - 1942

Dear Mary,

One seems to swim in USCOM children just for the moment - - Marjorie just loved her job to go around to chose children, and then came a "diabolic blow" from Mr Optimist Champchois: The Convoy will leave Marseille on the 27th of this month - - Think of our consternatin - - Nothing ready for the children chosen so far. So now she is expres lettering all over the place, to give "our" children a chance, since you don't really guaranty yours. So, in spite of having had a lot of trouble in the autumn about Uscom kids, do you think you would manage to see about the two following cases?

MAURER, Hjalmar, German, born 9/4-34

Father, in Germany, (Aryan)

JR41

Mother Friedl, née Levy. Divorced (forced too)
address: Ilot I (Bar. unknown) Camp de Rivesaltes.

Hjalmar has no Identity card with him at "la Maison des Pupilles"at Aspet, Hte Garonne.
Has the mother some Identity card where Hjalmar is mentioned?
" " " any certificate for diphteria vaccination for him?
About this last we are inquiring in Gurs too.
Marjorie asks to have some general history about the previous family life, the child's experiences etc.

KH 45

2) ROSENBERG, Leo. German, born the I9 ; I2 - I932
Maison des Pupilles Aspet.

Father Markus Rosenberg Camp de Rivesaltes Ilot B , Bar. I5
he is ill.

Mother, Rosa, still in Germany

A brother , Joseph, (born in I92I) in England .

Leo has no Identity card with him at Aspet. Has the f[illegible]er any paper to prove his birth?
and has he any certificate about the diphteria vaccination?
And also for him what you can dig up about personal history.

Do you think you can have the acte de naissances or their substitutes photographed in Perpignan? Otherwise send them on here and we'll have it done with what comes out of Gurs.

I am sorry to bother you about these things, but these children are really interesting and attractive children, that Marjorie have seen and would like to go.

The children ought to be in Marseille by the I5th of this month, so if you can complete the papers, will you send them on to Marjorie in Marseille. The fingerprints and signatures can be added there. But please send me a note as soon as possible if or not the papers are complete; I'll convoke or not convoke the children according to your answer.

With many thanks, yours sincerely,

Alice

Included: 8 printed forms
2 typewritten forms

Miss Alice Resch, Toulouse,

Miss Mary Elmes, Perpignan,

10th April 1942

Dear Alice,

On receiving your letter yesterday morning, I went to the Camp and interviewed the parents of Maurer Hjalmar and Rosenberg Leo. The mother of the former unfortunately has no identity papers for the child and the father of the latter refuses absolutely to permit his son to emigrate. I am afraid therefore that there is nothing to be done about sending these children with the convoy.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

Mary Elmes

To: Mary Elmes, Perpignan

From: Alice Resch, Toulouse.

Date: 25 - 4 - 1942

Dear Mary,

This to confirm the telephone call yesterday, That the permission for your 12 children from Rivesaltes to come to Larade has been obtained, so you can ship them off to us anytime you like. If the day can be chosen, I would prefer that they do not come on a Thursday or a Sunday, as we have prepared terific washing and disinfection schemes, and all the personel will be pretty busy with this. Therefore it would be rather troublesome to have the other 50 kid hanging about too - - -

I hope that you during this long period of waiting and indecision have not made other arrangements for the children, because we are very much looking foreward to have them here. And they will be very well taken care of, that I can grant you, with our Mr Gali as their "Father".

This has given you an example what it is to ask for something here, and I admit I almost fell off the chair when the permission actually came - - -

Yours very sincerely,

Alice.

Sorry! This letter was forgotten in the Saturday rumbles!

Miss Alice Resch, Toulouse,

Miss Mary Elmes, Perpignan,

29th April 1942

Dear Alice,

I was delighted to receive your telephone call of Friday and your letter of April 25th confirming the fact that you have managed to obtain permission for the entry of the children from Rivesaltes into the Haute Garonne. We have gone to the Prefecture every day since and they have not so far received "avis favorable" from Toulouse which will enable them to liberate these children and therefore their departure is still held up. I hope however that this will come through quickly and I shall let you know before hand when to expect them. I note that you do not wish them to go on a Thursday or a Sunday. It will be wonderful to take the children out of the camp and have them in the care of Mr. Gali.

Thank you also for your note of 28th April which I have just received, enclosing the copy of Marjorie MacClelland's letter to Philadelphia. I shall read this with great interest and thank you very much for sending it on to me.

With kindest regards,
Yours very sincerely,

Mary Elmes

P.S.- We have this moment been informed by the Prefecture that the "avis favorable" has come through from Toulouse. I am going to the Camp this afternoon with the liberation of these children and shall arrange the day they are to be sent to you and shall let you know immediately.

To: Mary Elmes, Perpignan

AR/NM

From: Alice Resch, Toulouse

Date: May 4th 1942

Dear Mary,

Thanks for your letter of various dates. I am awfully glad to hear that the children are coming on Wednesday and we will troop up in grand style to receive them.

I will see that the three children for Condom with their inspector get off in the bus at about 4,30.

As for the previous convoy from Rivesaltes to Condom I include in this letter a shocking bill which we paid and we asked Linasley to reimburse us but he wrote back and wanted heaps of particulars, etc., so now I am passing on to you the original bill of 2626.30 Frs. So can you clear it up with him or either yourself or make him send us the money. I am sorry the sum is so high but it is quite an affair to have a private bus by these days and there were too many to go by the regular bus.

With best regards,

Yours very sincerely,

Alice

Alice Resch

P.S: Helga is just back from a week in Ourg, I cleared up her courrier - in which were found the enclosed letter to you from W. Holst - mistaken envelop I suppose, but I am sorry it has been lying about like so long. Alice.

2 enclosures

Miss Alice Resch, Toulouse,

Miss Mary Elmes, Perpignan,

6th May 1942

Dear Alice,

Thank you for your letter of May 4th. I have today written to Lindsley Noble enclosing the bill which you sent us and asking him to repay you, as I consider that this sum should either come out of the General Funds or out of the Colony Department as it is an expense essential to the transport of the Rivesaltes children from Toulouse to Condom. I greatly appreciate the trouble you have taken in hiring this bus and hope that he will reimburse you rapidly.

Thank you also for enclosing a letter from Mr. Holst. It is one I have been waiting very anxiously for, for some time before, and which seems to have reached me by a very round-about route.

I am extremely sorry that there has been such a contre-temps about the children for La Rade. I suspect that Melle Ruth has just taken these children to a new colony of theirs for which 50 children left the camp on Friday last. She had the names of the children on our list and I think that she must have filled the gaps in hers with them. I may of course be doing her an injustice in stating this, but in any case I shall proceed immediately to select 12 other children for you and shall send them as soon as possible without any further formalities.

Yours sincerely,

Mary Elmes

Send list by express Mme.

To: Mary Elmes, Perpignan

From: Alice Resch, Toulouse.

AR/JM

Date: May 8th. 1942

Dear Mary,

This to confirm my telephone call of this afternoon:

With the 12 new names of the spanish children we went to the Prefecture and obtained a verbal permission for the kids to come here and the Prefecture promissed to write immediately to the Prefecture of Perpignan, so you can just go ahead and ship them off when ever you like. I think it is all in order but please remember that thursdays and sundays are tabou.

I am so glad that this arranged itself so easily so I am now waiting for the date of arrival.

Best regards,

Yours sincerely.

Alice

Alice.

It's rather upsetting that so many of the American delegates are suddenly quitting, n'est ce pas?

Miss Alice Resch, Toulouse,

Miss Mary Elmes, Perpignan,

11th May 1942 Express letter

Dear Alice,

I enclose list of the children who are going to Toulouse tomorrow morning from Rivesaltes. They will leave there by train at 9 o'clock and should reach Toulouse at 14,30.

I hope that this time the expedition will go without any hitch.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

Mary Elmes

To: Mary Elmes, Perpignan

From: Alice Resch, Toulouse

AR/JM

Date: May 12th.1942

Dear Mary Elmes,

The children just arrived safely from Rivesaltes. Mr. Gali and I fetched them at the station and he took them right out to lunch and wash and coiffeur and doctor. You know that only nine of them came, but how pleased I am that they really have materialized.

I am sending you here letter from Emilie Wolff at the Maternité Suisse at Elne (P-O) with a copy. Do you think you can look at this case and if anything can be done about her.

With many thnaks,

Yours sincerely.

Alice

Alice Resch

pieces jointes

Forgive the English, but it is too much to try to correct ---

Miss Alice Resch, Toulouse,

Miss Mary Elmes, Perpignan,

14th May 1942

Dear Alice,

I am glad to know that the children arrived safely from Rivesaltes. I am surprised to see that only 9 arrived. I had been informed that the mother of Armonia Tudela refused at the last moment to let her child go and that one of the Rodriguez children had entered the Infirmary on the previous night with chicken-pox, but I do not know who the third child is nor for what reason he or she did not go in the convoy. I shall however enquire further about this on my next visit to the camp.

With reference to the letter from Emilie Wolff which you sent me, as she is at the Maternité Suisse for the moment you can be sure that she is being well looked after and that her personal needs are being taken care of and will be followed up after she leaves the Home. Her principal request seems to be to know whether it would be possible to trace her relations in America. As I am not able to do this from here, I am forwarding her letter to the Marseilles' Office where they have more contacts with the Philadelphia Office.

Yours sincerely,

Mary Elmes

To: Mary Elmes, Perpignan

From: Alice Resch , Toulouse.

Date: I5 - 5 - I942.

Dear Mary,

You have probably heard that there is another convoy in the offing. And here I come bothering you again about my group.

Do you think you can obtain a certificat de Notoriété for HJALMAR MAURER , whose mother is:

Friedl MAURER , Ilot I Bar. I4 , Rivesaltes.

I suppose you get sets of papers from ~~Fitz~~ Champénois, so could you have her fill out her part of it there? We have the vaccination certificates etc. ready here.

Hjalmar is such a fine specimen to send to U.S.A, so I am so much hoping we can get him off.

We obtained a certificat de notoriété without difficulty for another paperless case at Gurs.

With many thanks,

yours Alice

Alice

Samedi 9 Heures

9. 9 Heures - Bureau des Effectifs.

To: Mary Elmes Perpignan

From: Alice Resch, Toulouse

Date: 22:5-1942

Dear Mary,

Phew what a lot of writing back and forth about my kids - - - I just had a letter from Champenois asking for the original Identity cards as well as the three photocopies of the same. So when you ship off to him the acte de notoriété pictures for Hjalmar Maurer, will you also ship the original off? Apparently the Consulate keeps the original if the child goes to America. It sounds a bit queerish to me, but well, so says Champ.

This is all for to day,

best regards and wishes for a good whitsun-rest,

Alice.

Alice.

Miss Alice Resch, Toulouse,

Miss Mary Elmes, Perpignan,

23rd May 1942

Dear Alice,

In reply to your letter about the children from Rivesaltes at Larade, I am obtaining for you the details you need and regret that the children were sent from the camp with such incomplete dossiers.

The mother of Mujica Tomas would be greatly obliged if you could send her a "certificat de présence" of her child at Larade as the father, who is in the Zone Occupée, requests this document from her. I should be obliged if you could send it to me at your earliest convenience so that I could take it to her. She would also be glad to have news of her child either from him directly or from the Director of the Colony.

Yours sincerely,

Mary Elmes

Miss Alice Resch, Toulouse,

Miss Mary Elmes, Perp gnan,

27th May 1942

Dear Alice,

I am disappointed that I have not yet been able to send you the fiche and photograph of the "acte de notoriété" of Hjalmar Maurer. Everything was arranged that this document should be established by the "juge de paix" of Rivesaltes last Saturday morning, but unfortunately Mme Maurer presented herself an hour late for the vehicle that was to convey her to Rivesaltes and, as result, the whole arrangement we had made went astray. On account of the Holidays it was not possible to send her to Rivesaltes until yesterday afternoon. I hope to be able to get the "acte" this afternoon, to have it photographed and to send it, the fiche and the photograp directly to you for transmittal to Mr. Champenois.

It is news to me that the original had to be left at the Consulate as, as far as I know, none of the children who finally went deposited their original "pièce d'Identité".

Yours sincerely,

Mary Elmes

Miss Alice Resch, Toulouse,

Miss Mary Elmes, Perpignan,

29th May 1942

Dear Alice,

Thank you very much for sending me the "certificat de presence" for Mujica Tomas and for your news of the children.

Mr. Champenois has probably telephoned to you by now about Hjalmar Maurer. There have been other difficulties here about the "certificat de notoriete" and it is not yet clear whether or not this can be established. In any case, it will not be possible to have it before the end of next week, so Mr. Champenois has decided to do the necessary at Marseilles. I am therefore forwarding to him the 4 fiches and the "certificat de decharge". The difficulty in Rivesaltes is apparently that, not very long ago, the greffier established a similar certificate for someone who used it to commit bigamy and he is therefore afraid of doing anything before consulting the juge de paix, which cannot be done before Tuesday next.

I like your idea of coming to climb on the Canigou one day and should love to go with you. Don't however come during the first fortnight of July as I am going to stay with the Holsts in Marseilles in continuation of our conference which will probably take place about the end of June. Any time either before or after that I could manage to have a couple of days off.

Yours sincerely,

Mary Elmes

AR/SV

To: Mary Elmes, Perpignan

From: Alice Resch, Toulouse

Date: June 8, 1942.

Dear Mary,

The next time you go to Rivesaltes, will you please try to see Madame Hilda EINSTEIN, Ilôt J, Baraque 60 ? She is asking to send her two children to America. She has lost her mother and her husband since she was interned in camp here in France and is very anxious to have her children go. So I asked her to address herself to Osé of Montpellier on the subject, but may be you will have an opportunity to see the case yourself.

Sincerely,

Alice

Alice.

P.S: Mr Gali just asked if you are able to obtain the different renseignements he needs about the 9 children from Rivesaltes at Larade, and also if the little SOLANO, Encarnacion (26/5-38) will come when she has recovered from her illness?

Mme Chiberre asks about the 3 children destined for Condom —

As.

Toulouse le IO Juillet I942

AR/FB

Madame B. HASENCLEVER
Secrétariat Social
d'Aide aux Emigrants
4, rue Stanislas Torrents,
MARSEILLE.

Chère Madame,

Mademoiselle Bleuland vient de me donner votre adresse, et m'a suggéré de vous écrire pour essayer d'obtenir votre aide dans le cas suivant :

J'ai une petite jeune fille, Ruth KALLMANN, qui se trouve actuellement dans une colonie de l'O.S.E. à Pallavas (Hérault).

En partant là-bas, elle est allée voir sa mère, Madame la doctoresse Lucie KALLMANN, îlôt L, baraque 2I, camp de Rivesaltes (P.O.), ainsi que son père, Kurt KALLMANN, pharmacien, qui se trouve actuellement malade à l'Hôpital St Louis à Perpignan. Elle a été bouleversée de voir leur état général, et elle me demande si je pourrais aider à obtenir un permis de séjour pour les parents dans le département du Var. Ils ont obtenu un certificat d'hébergement et un contrat de travail par une Madame Johnston, demeurant à "Vieux Sauvechamps", VILLECROSE (Var), mais ils n'ont jamais réussi à obtenir le permis de séjour.

Au cas où vous pourriez les aider à obtenir ce permis, peut-être pourriez-vous vous mettre directement en contact avec Monsieur & Madame KALLMANN à ce sujet.

Avec mes remerciements, croyez, chère Madame, à mes meilleurs sentiments.

Alice Resch
Déléguée.

P.S. Vous trouverez ci-inclus extrait d'une lettre reçue de la petite Ruth KALLMANN.

AR/PB

To: **Mary Elmes, Perpignan**

From: **Alice Resch, Toulouse**

Date: **IO Juillet I942**

Chère Mary,

Vous vous souvenez peut-être que je vous ai montré une lettre pathétique d'une jeune fille, Ruth KALLMANN, que vous avez aidée à voir son père à Perpignan.

Je vous envoie copie d'un extrait de cette lettre, ainsi que copie de ma lettre à Madame B. HASENCLEVER, Secrétariat Social d'Aide aux Emigrants à Marseille, afin que vous soyez au courant des démarches que j'essaie de faire. C'est Toot qui m'a suggéré d'écrire au Secrétariat Social d'Aide aux Emigrants, car ils ont souvent obtenu des permis de séjour.

J'espère que vous vous êtes bien reposée chez les Holst à Marseille, et que vous avez pu vous baigner.

Moi je reviens de la Côte d'Azur brune comme une négresse, et maintenant je suis entièrement à votre disposition pour grimper au Canigou, aussi, si vous allez au Vernet pour visiter la colonie pendant un week-end, dites-le moi, et j'irai vous rejoindre, soit à Perpignan, soit ~~en vélo~~ par La Tour de Carol, où je prendrai le vélo pour descendre à Vernet-les-Bains.

Bien amicalement,

à toi, Alice

Alice Resch.

Extrait de la lettre de la petite Ruth KALLMANN

" .....

... Mardi le 2 juin, j'ai été à l'hôpital à Perpignan pour aller voir mon père. J'étais très triste de le revoir en tel état. Il n'est malade qu'à cause de la sous-alimentation. Il doit toujours rester au lit, car il ne peut même plus marcher.

Mes parents auraient peut-être l'occasion d'être libérés, il manque seulement la pièce la plus importante: Il y a Madame Johnston (son adresse est : "Les Vieux Sauvechamps", Villecrose (Var), qui leur a envoyé le certificat d'hébergement et le contrat de travail, mais il manque la permission du Département (Toulon). Pourriez-vous, chère Miss Resch, faire quelque chose pour recevoir cette pièce-là ? ..... "

To: Mary Elmes, Perpignan

AR/NM

From: Alice Resch, Toulouse

Date: July 17th 1942

Dear Mary,

The old Champ just sent me back some papers left over from the USCOM kids that went to America. The black mystery included in this letter is supposed to be a copy of a birth certificate for Hjalmar MAURER, whose mother is in Rivesaltes. I don't remember the ilot but you have already talked to her so you may know yourself.

Sometime when you go out would you please bring the paper along to her.

Thanks a lot,

Yours sincerely,

Alice

Alice

P.S. If this paper really existed all the time I don't see why all the fuss about acte de notoriété had to be done. I was absolutely told that the kid had no identity papers at all. However all is well that ends well.

1 enclosure

Copie

Marseille, le 23 Juillet 1942.

SERVICE SOCIAL
D'AIDE AUX EMIGRANTS
42, rue Montgrand,
MARSEILLE
Tél.74.04

Mademoiselle Alice BESCH
Déléguée de l'American Friends Service Committee
10, Bd Bonrepos,
TOULOUSE.

Re. KALLMANN E.
8285
GG/SR

Chère Mademoiselle,

Nous avons bien reçu votre lettre du 10 Juillet, concernant le cas KALLMANN. Mademoiselle Hasenclever n'étant plus au S.S.A.2., c'est moi qui suis chargée de m'occuper de cette affaire.

Le certificat d'hébergement et le contrat de travail obtenus dans le VAR pour Monsieur et Madame KALLMANN sont inutilisables, car le VAR n'est pas un département d'accueil pour les étrangers.

Très peu de départements accordent aux Etrangers, vous le savez, un permis de séjour, parmi ceux-ci sont la Lozère et la Creuze. C'est dans un de ces départements qu'il faudrait essayer d'obtenir les pièces permettant de demander une autorisation de résidence avec quelque chance de succès. Notre Service ayant à MENDE, une correspondante nous lui écrivons par le même courrier pour lui exposer la situation de Monsieur et Madame KALLMANN et la prier de voir si elle pourrait obtenir à ceux-ci, certificat d'hébergement et contrat de travail.

Aussitôt que nous connaîtrons le résultat de ses démarches, nous vous le ferons savoir. Si de votre côté vous connaissiez dans la Lozère quelqu'un qui soit susceptible de nous aider dans ces recherches, il serait bon que nous conjuguions nos efforts.

Veuillez agréer, Chère Mademoiselle, l'expression de mes sentiments distingués.

C. Cautier

P.S.- Nous aurions besoin de savoir si M. et Mme KALLMANN, ou seulement l'un d'entr'eux, seraient capables de fournir effectivement un travail (et dans ce cas, lequel) ou s'il s'agit de se procurer seulement une pièce pouvant servir de base à une demande de congé ou de détachement.

AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE
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HOWARD E. KERSHNER
DIRECTEUR DES SECOURS EN EUROPE
MARSEILLE

DÉLÉGATION DE TOULOUSE
(HAUTE-GARONNE)
16, BOULEVARD BONREPOS

TÉLÉPH. 204-28
TÉLÉGR. QUAKERS-TOULOUSE

N/RÉF. : AR/GA

Toulouse, le 29 Juillet 1942

Miss Mary ELMES,
30, Avenue des Baléares,
P e r p i g n a n.
(Pyr. Or.)

Chère Mary,

J'ai reçu une nouvelle lettre au sujet de la famille KALLMANN et que je vous passe. Peut-être pourrez-vous continuer les démarches pour ces deux malheureux.

J'ai donné à Mlle C. Gautier du Service Social d'Aide aux Emigrants à Marseille, l'adresse de M. H. HAUSER, Domaine du Roussel, Mende. C'est un réfugié apatride, d'origine allemande, qui a travaillé quelque temps à la Mairie de Mende et qui a été en correspondance avec tout. Peut-être en collaborant avec Mlle Gautier vous pourriez arriver à faire quelques choses pour les KALLMANN.

Les quatre enfants VIDAL (3 soeurs & un frère) du Château de Larade ici, quitteront Toulouse Mardi matin 4 Août pour se rendre à Perpignan. Pourriez-vous les faire prendre à la gare et les accompagner au Centre d'Accueil d'Arras où le Consul d'Espagne s'occupe de leurs papiers de rapatriement à Barcelone.

Bien cordialement à vous.

Yours
Alice.

Alice Resch
Déléguée

RAPPELER DANS LA RÉPONSE
LA DATE ET LA RÉFÉRENCE

To: Mary Elmes, Perpignan

From: Alice Resch, Toulouse

Date: 4/8-1942

Dear Mary,

I am glad the Vidal children arrived safely after the commotion - - And thank you very much for taking the trouble about them.

The two eldest girls came here yesterday afternoon to complete their trousseau a bit, as they are not going to be very rich where they go to. They needed coats, and unfortunately we had none. Then to day, as lightening from clear sky, appeared some fine coat specimens, just their sizes. So by express parcel I ship two off to you, in the hope that youn have a chance to let the girls have them before their departure on Friday?. Sorry to bother you so much.

2) We have facilities for buying "galoches" (wooden bottoms with leathertops) without bons to size 30 aboutish. and with bons afterwards. The prices vary between 64 and 115 frcs. Are you interested?

I obtained "bons" for all my 61 children at Larade in making an appealing letter to the chef de service at the mairie of Toulouse, so maybe you could do the same?

Mr. Gali, the director of Larade , went to Prades for a few days holiday, and profited to see your beautiful new colony at Vernet les bains. He came back full of enthusiasm, and with several new ideas - - But he noticed that that colony has the same shoe problem as we have. As all the children there are very young, one might be able to get enough shoes for them without the bons, if you will send on the number you would like and the sizes???

I am writing to suggest Mme Fischbacher to profit for the other colonies too.

P.T.O.

3) So far I have no news about the Rosenberg children. But can you take some other children, spanish, from Toulouse there? I have one to place urgently, and I cannot take the child at Larade. I send you on the dossier, and will you let me know as soon as possible if you can accept him? And also of how many places (if more than one) you could let me dispose of, I have demands all the time for small children to be placed.

The world is chaos here on account of all the happenings. Helga was on her way home, and was stopped in Pellegarde and went to Vichy instead, to meet the Marseille crowd, and Toot and Ima goes up to night - - -

Yours sincerely,

Alice

Alice

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Mademoiselle MARY ELMES
A.F.S.C. 30, Av de Baleares
à Perpignan

Chère Mademoiselle,

Me voilà de retour après avoir passé deux semaines dans un pays de rêve. Et quel retour à la réalité! On nage dans le travail mais vous aussi certainement, avec tous ces tristes événements!

Je viens de recevoir une lettre de Mademoiselle PASAMONIK à St Pardoux du Breuil dans le Lot et Garonne, me demandant si on peut encore prendre les 2 jumeaux ROSEMBERG au Vernet-les-Bains, elle aimerait les placer le 15 septembre.

Leur etat civil est le suivant : Isidore et Salomon, les deux sont nés le 26 février 1940 à Anvers en Belgique. Le père s'appelle ROSEMBERG Nachmann, il travaille au 664ème G.T.E. de St Georges d'Aurac. La mère ROSEMBERG Rywca demeure 21 Petite rue Labat à Marmande, de Nationalité Polonaise.

La lettre de Mademoiselle Pasamonik est d'il y a une semaine, alors je ne sais pas si cette famille a été laissée en paix. Mais il faudra d'une façon ou autre placer les enfants à partir du 15 septemebre.

Croyez, Chère Mademoiselle à mes salutations les meilleures.

Alice RESCH

RAPPELER DANS LA RÉPONSE LA DATE ET LA RÉFÉRENCE

P.T.O.

Pew, this letter was Solemn!
a braid need see who knows
nothing yet!

Miss Alice Resch, Toulouse,

Miss Mary Elmes, Perpignan,

16th September 1942.

Dear Alice,

In reply to your letter of 14th September, I am glad to be able to confirm that we have two places for the Rosenberg twins and that you can send them when you wish, advising Melle Chapuis beforehand.

You may know by now that protection for the Jewish children already in our colonies on the date of 12th September has been obtained at Vichy. It might then be wise to advise Melle Pasamonik that such protection unfortunately would not extend to the Rosenberg children, although naturally every effort will be made to protect them. On the other hand, we have no reason to foresee that these children should be in any particular danger.

Thank you for the addresses that you give me, which sound very interesting. Unfortunately, I cannot see at the moment when I shall be able to get away, but I hope that that date is not very far.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

Mary Elmes

AR/NM

To: Mary Elmes, Perpignan

From: Alice Resch, Toulouse

Date: October 8th 1942

Dear Mary,

I am back for half a day in Toulouse between visiting Montpellier and out for the tournée for choosing the 1.000 children for America. I shall probably be seeing you in Perpignan in a couple of weeks. I have three candidates in Rivesaltes that I very much want to have the chance as convoyeurs. Do you think you could occupy yourself about it?

1°- Mme SCHREIBER about whom Toot wrote to you very recently. She is Harriet Marple's particular case and Harriet Marple guarantees for her in America. For her it would be only a transit visa through the States to go to Chili join her son. I don't know the first thing about her so I leave her entirely to you. I only know how we used to admire her pluck and her high moral when she was in Recébédou and I think she is on the very top of the list of interesting candidates for entering the States.

2°- Dr. Siegfrid ROTHSCHILD, born in Halberstadt (Germany) 13.9.97. He is an aumonier auxiliaire of german nationality. He has wife and three children in Belgium.

3°- Max ANSBACHER, born the 6.12.06 Francfort s/ Mein. Is also an aumonier auxiliaire of german nationality and has wife and six children in Belgium. Two years ago apparently the Quakers proposed him as convoyeur for some convoy or other but it never came off.

P.T.O.

The two men are particularly fine and interesting people; really worth while to help, but as in Mme Schreiber's case I do not know if they have made any demarche themselves for American visas. I hope you can occupy yourself personnally about these three.

And then, Re: Aspet children.

1° ROSENBERG Leo. Will you please ask the father of the child, Monsieur Markus ROSENBERG, working in the infirmary at Rivesaltes, if he, this time, under these new circumstances, is willing to send his little boy to America (this is the 3rd time I try to ship that little lovely child off) ?

2°- KALMANN Max. This boy's parents, M.Kurt Kallmann and Dr.Lucie Kallmann are also still in Rivesaltes so I want to ask them the permission to send Max to America, in spite of not being able to accept Ruth, the sister, who has unfortunately depassed the age limit.

I will be very grateful to you for these informations as both the children are particularly good U.S.A. candidates. If the parents have already left I of course will automatically put them on the list.

Cordially Yours,

Alice

Alice Resch

P.S. I include 1 copy concerning accompagnateurs in case you haven't received it from Marseille.

Miss Alice Resh, Toulouse,

Miss Mary Elmes, Perpignan,

20th October 1942

Dear Alice,

In reply to your letter about persons to accompany the children's convoy, in which you suggest that Mme Charles Schreiber, Dr. Siegfried Rothschild and Max might be suitable candidates, I enclose the fiche made out by Mme Schreiber and a letter which she would be glad if you could forward to Miss Marple. You will see that unfortunately she has no papers whatever for her emigration and as far as I can obtain from her, she knows of no demarches having been made by her son in Chili to obtain her entry into that country.

I am afraid that unless Miss Marple has done something with regard to her immigration to the United-States, the time is now too short to arrange this for her before the departure of the transport.

Yours sincerely,

Mary Elmes

Miss Alice Resh, Toulouse,

Miss Mary Elmes, Perpignan,

28th October 1942

Dear Alice,

I have seen Ruth HABERER, Ilot K, bar. 13, who has been notified from Montpellier that her younger child Hélène, Rmtonsat (Hte Vienne), will be leaving in the first transport. She has received no notification of that kind about her elder daughter Reinhardt, aged 9½ who is at Aspet. She is very worried by this, as she is anxious that the two children should go together to rejoin their relatives in America. I should be obliged if you could look into the matter and if possible settle it according to the wishes of the mother.

The father of Leo ROSENBERG who is at Aspet, requests from the direction of the Colony a "certificat de présence", so that he can obtain permission from the Commissaire at Rivesaltes to send to the child a quantity of clothes that he has there. I should be glad if you could obtain and send this certificate to me as soon as possible, so that I can hand it to the father. He is also anxious to know if he will have an opportunity to see the child before this latter leaves the country, as it is more than 2 years that he has not seen the child.

Yours sincerely,

Mary Elmes